

# A CASTLE FOR A DORM

Avila College will offer a European Study Program beginning in September, 1969. Headquarters will be in Ansembourg Castle near Luxembourg City. Applications are being accepted now.

This opportunity for foreign study is designed for broadening student experience in European culture and languages and for deepening understanding of other nations and peoples. Courses will be offered in various phases of art, music, theatre, languages, and international relations.

Course work will fit into the four-year program of the undergraduate. Graduate work will be offered in theatre only. Credit hours will come from the parent college.

Six colleges and Southern Illinois University are participating institutions in this study center which will be known as Vita International Study Center. Only 140 students will be accepted during the first year. Part of the faculty will come from the participating American institutions and part from Europe.

Sister Germaine Matter, CSJ, professor of French at Avila, will teach at Vita International during the first semester; Sister Martha Smith, CSJ, professor of history, during the second semester.

Ansembourg Castle has been chosen as the site for the study center because of its proximity to the

vital centers of European cultural, social, political, and historical developments. Field trips will be provided to these centers as part of the study experience. Students may also avail themselves of low cost travel, especially arranged for them, to England, Switzerland, Austria, Italy, and Greece.

Costs will be kept minimal. Tuition and fees, room and board and round trip transportation from Chicago will be \$1350 for one semester and \$2405 for two semesters.

The academic year has been organized into the following sessions:

First semester: September 1–December 13, 1969.

Winter intersession: December 28, 1969–January 14, 1970.

Second semester: February 2, 1970–May 15, 1970.

Summer session: June 15, 1970–July 25, 1970.

All-inclusive expenses for the winter intersession will be \$795. For this session four hours of credit will be given. The summer session, which will carry six semester hours of credit, will be \$995 including study and sight-seeing in eight countries.

Students who meet the entrance requirements of Avila College are eligible. The program is designed especially for sophomores, juniors, and seniors as well as for graduate students in theatre.

## Touching Base



Gertie and Liz Ann together before a double move. Mrs. George H. Myers, Jr. (Gertrude Van Hee '56) will move to Washington, D.C., and Mrs. Donald J. Soetaert (Liz Ann Van Hee '58) will move to Omaha, Nebraska.

## Avila Artists

Springtime artists are blooming. The Senior art exhibit, May 4 to 16, will indicate the achievements of five senior art majors in oil, water color, ceramics, sculpture, and enameling. Felecia Bowen, Pat Bartholome, Rita Madison, Mary Jo Spellman, and Sister Catherine Zimmerman, with their art professors, Sister Margaret Reinhart and Sister Joan Clish, will be honored at a reception for the opening of the exhibit on Sunday, May 4, in the alumnae lounge from 2 to 4. Some of the art works will be available for purchase.

## Pop Concert on May 16

Sister de La Salle McKeon has announced that the Pop Concert which the Avila and Rockhurst Choruses have given together each year on one of the two campuses, this year will be held indoors. The auditorium at St. Teresa Academy, 5600 Main Street, has been chosen. The concert will be presented on May 16, at 8:15 p.m. The directors, Sister de La Salle, of Avila, and Lynn Penticuff, of Rockhurst, have planned an evening of popular and semi-classical numbers. Everyone is invited. There is no admission charge.

## Graduation Festivities

Plans for commencement are in the making. Graduates will be honored with awards and citations at the Honors Convocation on May 12, at 1 p.m., in Marian Center. At this time students who have won academic awards, or have been chosen for the Avila Medal, or honored for special achievements will receive public recognition.

Commencement Exercises will be held on May 31, at 8 p.m., on the terrace of the administration building. The baccalaureate service will be held in the chapel at 5 p.m. preceding this event. The seniors and their parents will be the guests of the college at a graduation buffet supper following the baccalaureate service.

## Elected to Office

The Department of Nursing held a coffee on April 28 to honor the three Avila students in that department who have been elected officers of the Missouri Student Nurse Association, District No. 2. Patty Comiskey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Comiskey, 5070 Virginia, was chosen president; Barbara Frey, daughter of Sgt. and Mrs. Norbert Frey of Tacoma, Washington, Second Vice President; and Judith Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Hill, St. Louis, Missouri, Corresponding Secretary. All are juniors.

## FACULTY HAPPENINGS

Avila faculty members will be widely scattered during the summer, following a variety of interests. Many, of course, will be at Avila teaching during the three summer sessions.

SISTER MARTHA SMITH, CSJ, has received a fellowship to attend a four-week college faculty institute on South and Southeast Asia at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota. SISTER JANE ADELSBERGER, CSJ, has received a fellowship to attend an EDPA Institute in English, June 23 to August 15, at the Center for American English, Illinois Institute of Technology, in Chicago, Illinois. The theme is Applied Linguistics. SISTER VIRGINIA MAY, CSJ, will be instructor of French with the Foreign Study League on their campuses in France and Switzerland from June 11 to July 27.

SISTER MARGARET REINHART, CSJ, will teach art history on the Vita International Study Tour which will visit eight countries of Europe. G. RICHARD SCOTT has received a fellowship to attend a week's

## SPRING PLAY

THE DAYS AND NIGHTS OF BEEBEE FENSTER-MAKER will be presented at Avila on May 1, 2, and 3, at 8:15 p.m. in the experimental theatre in O'Rielly Hall.

William Snyder's play is a perceptive social comedy with serious overtones which achieved a record-breaking off-Broadway run when first produced in 1962. Concerned with the plight of a sensitive and artistic young girl who has come to New York to find fame and fortune as a writer, the play traces the breakdown of her futile dreams. Judi Williams will have the title role of Beebee.

The play is interestingly staged. On a platform behind the main acting area, Beebee's mother and aunts talk about their own lives. These scenes are interspersed with those of Beebee in her New York apartment. The effect gives perspective, revealing Beebee's background in a small town and at the same time contrasting the alluring life of the city with its possibilities for success with the familiar existence in the small town which Beebee left behind.

## Alumnae Induction

Avila graduates will be inducted into the Avila Alumnae Association during the honors convocation to be held on May 12, at 1 p.m. in Marian Center. Presiding at the induction will be Mrs. Charles Brenneke, National President, and Mrs. F. Barclay Jordan, President of the Kansas City Chapter.

seminar in New York City, in August. It is sponsored by the Foundation for Economic Education.

SISTER DE LA SALLE McKEON, CSJ, will be visiting professor of music at Manhattanville College, in Purchase, New York. SISTER FELICE HELMES, CSJ, will attend the Tenth International Yeats Summer School in Sligo, Ireland, August 8 to September 8. In addition to attending the Yeats School, Sister Felice will study Irish Theatre in general and attend performances of the Abbey Players in Dublin.

Announcements have been made previously regarding the Kansas City Regional Council of Higher Education grants made to SISTER ROSEMARY FLANIGAN, CSJ, and SISTER PATRICIA LORENZ, CSJ, for study at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. Sister Rosemary will study existentialism and phenomenology and Sister Patricia, physiology and developmental biology. THOMAS WEBSTER has been awarded a grant for a sociological study of the Cuna-Cueva Indians of the Archipelago of San Blas.



# Three Summer Sessions

June high school graduates will find it extremely helpful to register at Avila College for summer school in order to get a step ahead in their college education. Avila will offer a wide variety of courses in three sessions. The first six-week session will extend from June 16 to July 25; the next (Montessori Institute) from June 23 to August 1. The eight-week session will begin on June 16 and extend to August 8. Registration is June 12. Out of town students may register by mail.

The courses offered at Avila in foreign languages, history, science, speech, and others are basic degree requirements. Many students prefer to take these courses in the summer and thus to lighten their course load in the fall semester. The academic dean at Avila has taken this fact into consideration in planning the summer schedule. Classes are open to men and women. All buildings are air conditioned.

Offerings which will fulfill teacher certification requirements will be of special interest to teachers. Montessori teachers will be offered excellent instruction by Miss Lena Wikramaratne. The religious education program at Avila is designed to prepare professional and volunteer instructors in religion for their work with young people.

General offerings in mathematics, psychology, philosophy, government, sociology, music, chemistry, English, art, and biology will be available to all. Dancing lessons and piano lessons for tots, teens, and young adults will be given at Avila from June 16 to August 8. For information call the registrar: Willow 2-3204.

## IN MEMORIAM

Frank McGee, brother of Mrs. John R. Lillis (Mary Edith McGee '30), on March 27, in Kansas City, Missouri. Charles F. Higgins, brother-in-law of Mrs. James R. Higgins (Helen Nevin '31) and Mrs. Thomas J. Higgins (Betty Wasson '37), on April 12, in Kansas City, Missouri. Justus W. Roleke, father of James Roleke, part-time faculty member at Avila, on April 15, in Phoenix, Arizona. Dr. Harry Underwood, husband of Ethel Burns Underwood, on April 15, in Kansas City, Missouri. Mrs. Eva M. Ulam, mother of Daniel W. Ulam '66, on April 16, in Kansas City, Missouri. Mrs. Ruby Connor, mother-in-law of Mrs. William B. Connor (Helen Buford), on April 17, in Kansas City, Missouri. John R. Lillis, husband of Mrs. John R. Lillis (Mary Edith McGee '30), and father of Mary Edith Lillis '53, on April 17, in Kansas City, Missouri.

## Scripture Institute Popular



Rev. Barnabas Ahern, CP, was guest lecturer at Avila for a Scripture Institute, April 18 and 19. Father Barnabas is a noted lecturer, scholar, linguist, and author. About 500 people attended each of his four lectures given on the two days.

## MARRIAGES

The editor of SCOPE is happy to announce the following marriages of our Avila alumnae:

Margery Susan Martin '66, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Martin, to Larry Gene Reifel, on April 12, at Christ the King Church, in Kansas City, Missouri. Mary Margaret Salamone '64, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Salamone, to Ralph George Byram, on April 26, at St. John the Evangelist Church, New York City.

## Avila Recommended

Sister M. Martha, S.M., Associate Professor of Nursing at the University of San Francisco, visited Avila, April 24-26, upon the recommendation of the National Institute for Mental Health. Sister is using her sabbatical semester to study the use of Community Mental Health Centers for clinical experience for students. Avila is one of eleven colleges and universities in the United States recommended to Sister Martha. It is the only private liberal arts college so recommended.

## BABY OF THE MONTH



Vic Soetaert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Soetaert (Liz Ann Van Hee '58).

## Fine Arts Fund Growing



Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. McDonald study the architect's rendering of the new fine arts building which will become a reality in the near future.

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